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#### VIA HAND DELIVERY

David Waddell, Executive Secretary Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37238

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Tariff Filing to Introduce BellSouth 25¢ Call

Plan Service

Docket No. 98-00307

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Enclosed are the original and thirteen copies of the proposed Report and Recommendation of the Pre-hearing Officer. The document has been stored on the enclosed disk as "report.doc". Copies of the enclosed are being provided to counsel of record for all parties.

Very truly yours,

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Nashville, Tennessee

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In Re:

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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## REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF PRE-HEARING OFFICER

On April 29, 1998 BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") filed its tariff to introduce a 25¢ Call Plan Service. Petitions to Intervene were filed by and granted to AT&T Communications of the South Central States ("AT&T"), MCI Telecommunications Corporation, MCImetro Access Transmission Services, Inc. and Worldcom Technologies, Inc. (collectively, "MCI/WorldCom"), and Sprint Communications Company ("Sprint"). MCI/WorldCom has since advised that it intends to withdraw from this docket, and Sprint indicates that it is participating in this docket only in order to receive copies of the pleadings.

# **Pre-Hearing Conference**

A Pre-Hearing Conference was held on July 27, 1999. The parties in attendance were:

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. - Bennett Ross, Esquire, 675 W. Peachtree Street, Suite 4300, Atlanta, GA 30375 and James Gotto, 333 Commerce Street, 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Nashville, TN 37201-3300.

AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc. - Val Sanford, Esquire, Gullett, Sanford, Robinson & Martin, 230 4th Ave., N., 3rd Fl., P. O. Box 198888, Nashville, TN 37219-8888

Sprint Communications Company, LP - Laura Sykora, 3100 Cumberland Circle, Atlanta, GA 30339

#### **AT&T's Motion To Dismiss**

AT&T filed a motion to disapprove BellSouth's tariff and dismiss this docket without prejudice. BellSouth filed a timely response opposing AT&T's motion. After discussion, AT&T agreed to withdraw its motion if BellSouth would file its cost studies and any other documentation supporting its tariff filing before the parties served discovery requests. Because BellSouth consented to AT&T's request, AT&T's motion is withdrawn, and the Pre-Hearing Officers concludes that there is no reason to rule on the issues raised in that motion.

### Schedule

Upon agreement of the parties, the Pre-Hearing Officer recommends the following schedule for the resolution of this docket:

August 9, 1999	BellSouth files cost studies and supporting documentation						
August 19, 1999	Discovery Requests due						
August 30, 1999	Discovery Responses due						
September 13, 1999	BellSouth Direct Testimony due						
September 21, 1999	AT&T Response Testimony due						
September 28, 1999	BellSouth's Rebuttal Testimony due						
October 12, 1999	Briefs due						

The parties will submit a protective order for entry by the Authority. Upon agreement of the parties, discovery requests will be limited to thirty (30) requests, including sub-parts, although either party may seek leave from the Authority to serve additional discovery requests upon a showing of good cause. Also, the parties agreed that a hearing before the Authority is not necessary and that the case can be resolved on a "paper" record.

# Recommendation

	The	Pre-Hearing	Officer	recommends	that	the	Authority	approve	this	Report	and
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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on July 30, 1999, a copy of the foregoing document was served on the parties of record via facsimile, overnight, or US Mail, postage prepaid:

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